# THE OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF DIRECT TESTIMONY AND EXHIBITS

**OF** 

IVANA C. GEARHEART

**OCTOBER 3, 2013** 



**DOCKET NO. 2013-201-WS** 

Application of Utilities Services of South Carolina, Incorporated for Adjustment of Rates and Charges

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| 1  | DIRECT TESTIMONY OF IVANA C. GEARHEART                                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 4  | DOCKET NO: 2013-201-WS   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5  | IN RE: APPLICATION OF UTILITIES SERVICES OF SOUTH CAROLINA,                |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6  | INCORPORATED FOR ADJUSTMENT OF RATES AND CHARGES                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 8  | Q.   | PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, BUSINESS ADDRESS, AND                                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9  |  | OCCUPATION.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | A.   | My name is Ivana Gearheart. My business address is 1401 Main Street,             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 |  | Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina, 29201. I am employed by the South           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12 |  | Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") as an Auditor.                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | Q.   | PLEASE STATE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND                                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 |  | EXPERIENCE.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | A.   | I received a Master's Degree in Business Administration with an emphasis         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16 |  | in Accounting from Winthrop University in 2006. Prior to joining ORS, I held a   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17 |  | variety of positions in finance, accounting, and auditing. I began my employment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 |  | as an auditor with ORS in June 2011 and have participated in audits of various   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 19 | utility companies, which included water and wastewater rate cases and have |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20 |  | previously testified before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 21 |  | ("Commission" or "PSC").   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22 | Q.   | WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY IN THIS                                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23 |  | PROCEEDING?  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| l | A. | The purpose of my testimony is to set forth my findings and                      |
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| 2 |    | recommendations resulting from ORS's examination of the application of Utilities |
| 3 |    | Services of South Carolina, Inc. ("USSC" or "Company") in this docket. The       |
| 1 |    | application was filed on June 28, 2013.  |
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### 5 Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE PROCEDURES USED TO PERFORM THE 6 EXAMINATION OF USSC'S APPLICATION.

ORS's examination of USSC's application consisted of three major steps. In step one, ORS verified that the operating experience and rate base, reported by USSC in its application, were supported by the Company's accounting books and records for the test year. In the second step, ORS tested the underlying transactions in the books and records for the same period to ensure that the transactions were adequately supported, had a stated business purpose, were allowable for ratemaking purposes, and were properly recorded. Lastly, our examination consisted of adjusting, as necessary, the revenues, expenditures, and capital investments to normalize the Company's operating experience and rate base in accordance with generally accepted regulatory principles and previous Commission orders.

### 18 Q. PLEASE IDENTIFY THE EXHIBITS ATTACHED TO YOUR 19 TESTIMONY.

- 20 A. I have attached the following exhibits to my testimony relating to USSC's
  21 Application:
- Audit Exhibit ICG-1: Operating Experience, Rate Base, and Rates of Return
   for Combined Operations

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1 Audit Exhibit ICG-2: Operating Experience, Rate Base, and Rates of Return 2 for Water Operations 3 Audit Exhibit ICG-3: Operating Experience, Rate Base, and Rates of Return 4 for Sewer Operations 5 Audit Exhibit ICG-4: Explanation of Accounting and Pro Forma Adjustments 6 • Audit Exhibit ICG-5: Depreciation and Amortization Expense Adjustments 7 • Audit Exhibit ICG-6: Computation of Income Taxes 8 • Audit Exhibit ICG-7: Cash Working Capital Allowance 9 • Audit Exhibit ICG-8: Return on Equity 10 These exhibits were either prepared by me or were prepared under my direction 11 and supervision in compliance with recognized accounting and regulatory 12 procedures for water and wastewater utility rate cases. These exhibits show 13 various aspects of USSC's operations and financial position. 14 0. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE FORMAT OF AUDIT EXHIBIT ICG-1 AND 15 ELABORATE ON THE CALCULATIONS. 16 Audit Exhibit ICG-1 details USSC's operating experience, rate base, and A. 17 rates of return for water and sewer operations for the test year ended December 31, 18 2012. The exhibit's format is designed to reflect the Application per books and 19 ORS's proposed accounting and pro forma adjustments to normalize the results of 20 USSC's test year operations. 21 Column (1) details the Application per books provided by USSC for the test year 22 ended December 31, 2012.

| 1  |           | Column (2) details ORS's proposed accounting and pro forma adjustments             |
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| 2  |           | designed to normalize the Application per books. An explanation of each            |
| 3  |           | adjustment is contained in Audit Exhibit ICG-4.                                    |
| 4  |           | Column (3) details ORS's results for a normalized test year for USSC by adding     |
| 5  |           | columns (1) and (2). After the accounting and pro forma adjustments, Net Income    |
| 6  |           | for Return of \$420,849 was computed using Total Operating Revenues of             |
| 7  |           | \$3,305,750, less Total Operating Expenses of \$2,885,006, plus customer growth of |
| 8  |           | \$105. Total Rate Base of \$10,408,877 produced a Return on Rate Base of 4.04%.    |
| 9  |           | As shown on Audit Exhibit ICG-8, the resulting Return on Equity was 1.25%.         |
| 10 |           | Column (4) details the Company's proposed increase recalculated by ORS and the     |
| 11 |           | calculation of taxes and customer growth associated with the proposed increase.    |
| 12 |           | An explanation of each adjustment is contained in Audit Exhibit ICG-4.             |
| 13 |           | Column (5) details the effect of the Company's proposed rate increase by adding    |
| 14 |           | columns (3) and (4). Net Income for Return of \$1,380,437 was computed using       |
| 15 |           | Total Operating Revenues of \$4,874,437, less Total Operating Expenses of          |
| 16 |           | \$3,494,358, plus customer growth of \$358. Total Rate Base of \$10,408,877        |
| 17 |           | produced a Return on Rate Base of 13.26%. As shown on Audit Exhibit ICG -8,        |
| 18 |           | the resulting return on equity was 20.63%.   |
| 19 | Q.        | PLEASE EXPLAIN THE ADJUSTMENTS IN AUDIT EXHIBIT ICG-4.                             |
| 20 | <b>A.</b> | For comparative purposes, ORS and the Company's adjustments are both               |
| 21 |           | presented in Audit Exhibit ICG-4.  |
| 22 |           | Adjustment 1 - The ORS Water and Wastewater Department proposes to annualize       |
| 23 |           | water and sewer service revenues for the test year. Details of the adjustments     |

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| 1  | totaling \$90,418 are discussed in the direct testimony of ORS Water and             |
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| 2  | Wastewater witness, Willie Morgan.   |
| 3  | Adjustment 2 - The ORS Water and Wastewater Department proposes to adjust            |
| 4  | miscellaneous revenues for the test year. Details of the adjustment for \$11,140 are |
| 5  | discussed in the direct testimony of ORS Water and Wastewater witness, Willie        |
| 6  | Morgan.  |
| 7  | Adjustment 3 - ORS proposes to adjust uncollectible accounts associated with the     |
| 8  | Company's revenues after ORS's proposed accounting and pro forma                     |
| 9  | adjustments. The adjustment of (\$1,313) was provided by ORS Water and               |
| 10 | Wastewater witness, Willie Morgan.   |
| 11 | Adjustment 4 - ORS proposes to adjust operators' salaries by annualizing the         |
| 12 | latest available salary information as of May 2013. Each operator's total salary is  |
| 13 | allocated to USSC based on its percentage of Equivalent Residential Connections      |
| 14 | ("ERC"). The ERC percentage is calculated by dividing the number of customers        |
| 15 | served by USSC by the total number of customers served by all subsidiaries to        |
| 16 | which the employee is assigned. ORS computed annualized salaries of \$391,826,       |
| 17 | less per book salaries of \$430,291, for an adjustment of (\$38,465).                |
| 18 | Adjustment 5 - ORS agrees with the Company's adjustment to update purchase           |
| 19 | power costs for (\$2,086).   |
| 20 | Adjustment 6 - ORS proposes to remove from maintenance expense non-allowable         |
| 21 | expenses of (\$6,230) and expenditures of (\$29,826) which should have been          |
| 22 | capitalized. ORS proposes to increase maintenance expenses by \$84,607, to           |

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1 reclassify expenditures incorrectly classified as additions to plant in service. The net 2 effect of these adjustments is an increase to maintenance expense of \$48,551. 3 Adjustment 7 – ORS proposes to remove DHEC Safe Drinking Water Fees of 4 (\$19,944) from maintenance testing expenses. These fees are not an expense to the utility, but are fees collected by the utility and remitted to DHEC. The fees are a 5 6 pass-through. 7 Adjustment 8 – ORS proposes to remove (\$3,928) from chemical expenses. documents provided in support of these expenses indicated that the purchases were 8 9 made for another utility. 10 Adjustment 9 - ORS proposes to adjust for allocated transportation expenses, 11 including fuel and auto repairs. Transportation expense per vehicle is calculated by 12 taking the total transportation expense for Utilities, Inc. and dividing it by the 13 number of vehicles in the Utilities, Inc. fleet. The total transportation expense per 14 vehicle of \$5,893 is then allocated to USSC based on the employee that operates the 15 vehicle and the time they spend working for USSC. ORS computed total 16 transportation expense of \$63,819 for USSC, less the per book amount of \$70,106 17 for an adjustment (\$6,287). 18 Adjustment 10 – ORS proposes to adjust operating expense charged to plant for 19 time spent on capital projects and rate cases. Capitalized time reflects operators' 20 and office employees' salaries, taxes & benefits. ORS made the adjustment using 21 the capitalized time report for the most recent period of September 1, 2012 through 22 August 31, 2013. ORS calculated operating expenses charged to plant of 23 (\$182,272), less per book amount of (\$134,184), for an adjustment of (\$48,088).

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Adjustment 11 - ORS proposes to adjust office salaries by annualizing salaries as of May 2013. Each office employee's total salary was allocated to USSC based on its percentage of ERCs. ORS computed annualized salaries of \$233,703, less per book salaries of \$188,998, for an adjustment of \$44,705. Adjustment 12 – ORS proposes to remove non-allowable amounts for DHEC fines, contributions, advertising, and holiday events from office supplies and other office expenses of (\$11,591). Adjustment 13 – ORS proposes an adjustment to rate case expenses of \$49,625. This adjustment consists of two (2) parts. In part one (1), ORS reviewed prior rate case expenses of \$238,648 from Docket No. 2007-286-WS related to the reconsideration, appeal, and remand. ORS removed undocumented expenses. These expenses included legal fees, capitalized time and consulting fees. In part two (2), ORS verified expenses of \$85,449 for current rate case expenses as of 9/3/2013. These charges included legal fees, capitalized time, administrative expenses and consulting fees. ORS proposes to amortize current and previous expenses over 5 years. The total proposed ORS adjustment of \$49,625 is computed using rate case expenses associated with Docket No. 2007-286-WS of \$238,648 and current expenses of \$85,449 divided by 5 years, less the per book amount of \$15,194. Adjustment 14 - ORS proposes to annualize pension and other benefits associated with the salary adjustment for operators and office employees. ORS removed nonallowable benefits that were included in the per book amounts. Total ORS

| 1  | computed pension and other benefits was \$129,612, less the per book amount of     |
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| 2  | \$110,789, resulting in an adjustment of \$18,823.                                 |
| 3  | Adjustment 15 - ORS proposes to remove (\$1,335) from rent expenses. During        |
| 4  | ORS's review it was discovered that the facility at 1223-A New Hope Road, is also  |
| 5  | used by an affiliated company. Therefore the cost of rent must be allocated to all |
| 6  | users of the facility based on ERCs.   |
| 7  | Adjustment 16 - Based on the recommendations of the ORS Water and Wastewater       |
| 8  | Department, ORS did not include the Company's adjustment for their proposed        |
| 9  | Leak Mitigation Program. Further explanation of ORS's position regarding the       |
| 10 | Company's proposed program is provided in the direct testimony of ORS Water        |
| 11 | and Wastewater witness, Willie Morgan. Additionally, ORS proposes to remove        |
| 12 | (\$20,760) of miscellaneous non-allowable expenses from various accounts.          |
| 13 | Adjustment 17 - ORS proposes to annualize depreciation expense and adjust for net  |
| 14 | plant additions, vehicles, computers, capital improvements, non-allowable plant,   |
| 15 | capitalized time, and retirements. The details of the depreciation expense         |
| 16 | adjustment are shown in Audit Exhibit ICG-5. The depreciation rates were           |
| 17 | recommended by ORS Water and Wastewater witness, Willie Morgan. ORS's total        |
| 18 | depreciation expense amounted to \$297,514, less the per book amount of \$362,166, |
| 19 | for a total adjustment of (\$64,652).  |
| 20 | Adjustment 18 - ORS proposes to adjust the amortization of Contributions in Aid    |
| 21 | of Construction ("CIAC"). The details of the amortization of CIAC adjustment are   |
| 22 | shown in Audit Exhibit ICG-5. ORS's total CIAC amortization expense amounted       |

1 to (\$2,087), less the per book amount of (\$2,045), for a total adjustment of (\$42). 2 See Audit Exhibit ICG-5. 3 Adjustment 19 – ORS proposes to adjust payroll taxes associated with the adjusted 4 test vear salaries. The payroll taxes include Social Security, Medicare and 5 unemployment taxes. ORS updated taxes using current rates. ORS computed taxes 6 of \$58,581, less the per book amount of \$43,651, resulting in an adjustment of 7 \$14,930. 8 Adjustment 20 - ORS proposes to adjust gross receipts and utility/commission 9 taxes after accounting and pro forma adjustments. A total factor of .00963081, 10 comprised of the SC Department of Revenue factor of .003 and the PSC/ORS 11 factor of .00663081, was used to compute this adjustment. ORS proposes to 12 increase gross receipts taxes by \$10,798. Adjustment 21 - ORS proposes to adjust income taxes after accounting and pro 13 14 forma adjustments. ORS used a 5% rate for state income taxes and a rate of 35% 15 for federal income taxes. Details of the computation of income taxes are shown in 16 ICG-6. 17 Adjustment 22 – ORS proposes to remove amortization of the plant acquisition 18 adjustment of (\$19,473) as the Company has not been granted recovery of a plant 19 acquisition adjustment by the Commission. 20 Adjustment 23 – ORS proposes to remove the interest during construction of 21 (\$1,286) from the per book amount for ratemaking purposes. 22 Adjustment 24 – ORS proposes to adjust customer growth after the accounting and 23 pro forma adjustments. The growth factor of 0.02934% for water operations was

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provided by ORS witness Willie Morgan. There was no customer growth for wastewater operations. Adjustment 25 – ORS proposes to decrease gross plant in service by (\$2,701,115) for adjusted vehicle costs, computer costs, capital improvements, non-allowable plant, capitalized time, and retirements through September 1, 2013. This reduction results from adjusting the useful lives and allocation of various vehicles, the removal of items improperly capitalized in years prior to the test year, and those determined by the ORS Water/Wastewater Department as either relating to other affiliated companies, or having been improperly capitalized during the test year. ORS also recomputed capitalized time, and updated retirements, accordingly. Several adjustments from Docket No. 2005-217-WS and Docket No. 2007-286-WS were included by ORS in the calculation of net plant additions. These adjustments were approved by Commission Orders but were not posted by USSC to their books and records. Adjustment 26 – ORS proposes to include gross plant in service for general ledger additions of \$419,506 as of September 1, 2013. ORS reviewed the support documentation for the proposed plant additions, and included only those plant additions that were known and measurable, and providing service to present customers. Adjustment 27 – ORS proposes to adjust accumulated depreciation by \$302,605 to reflect gross plant in service and depreciation associated with pro forma general ledger additions, vehicles, computers, capital improvements, non-allowable plant, capitalized time, and retirements.

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| 1  | Adjustment 28 – ORS proposes to adjust cash working capital after accounting        |
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| 2  | and pro forma adjustments. ORS proposes to increase cash working capital by         |
| 3  | \$1,152. Details of this adjustment are included in Audit Exhibit ICG-7.            |
| 4  | Adjustment 29 - ORS proposes to adjust CIAC by \$42 to reflect the amortization     |
| 5  | of CIAC expense, as a result of ORS Adjustment 19.                                  |
| 6  | Adjustment 30 - ORS and the Company agree to remove the plant acquisition           |
| 7  | adjustment of (\$1,083,984) from rate base.   |
| 8  | Adjustment 31 - ORS proposes to synchronize allowable interest expense to           |
| 9  | reflect the rate base after accounting and pro forma adjustments, using the         |
| 10 | capitalization ratio of 52.44% for debt and 47.56% for equity and a cost of debt of |
| 11 | 6.58%. ORS computed an adjustment of (\$167,040), resulting in allowable            |
| 12 | interest expense of \$359,164. See Audit Exhibit ICG-8 for ORS's computation of     |
| 13 | interest expense. Details of the Company's capital structure can be found in the    |
| 14 | testimony of ORS witness, Dr. Douglas H. Carlisle.                                  |
| 15 | Adjustment 32 - Based upon ORS Water and Wastewater Department calculations,        |
| 16 | USSC's proposed rates would produce additional revenues of \$1,381,431 for Water    |
| 17 | Operations and \$157,011 for Sewer Operations. Details of these adjustments are     |
| 18 | shown in the direct testimony of ORS Water and Wastewater witness, Willie           |
| 19 | Morgan.   |
| 20 | Adjustment 33 - ORS proposes to adjust miscellaneous revenue for the Company's      |
| 21 | proposed rate increase. Details of the adjustment for \$50,794 are shown in the     |
| 22 | direct testimony of ORS Water and Wastewater witness, Willie Morgan.                |

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|           | Adjustment 34 – ORS proposes to adjust uncollectible accounts associated with    |
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|           | the Company's revenues after ORS's proposed accounting and pro forma             |
|           | adjustments. The adjustment of (\$20,549) was provided by ORS Water and          |
|           | Wastewater witness, Willie Morgan.   |
|           | Adjustment 35 - Based on the recommendations of the ORS Water and Wastewater     |
|           | Department, ORS did not include the Company's adjustment for their proposed      |
|           | Leak Mitigation Program. Further explanation of ORS's position regarding the     |
|           | Company's proposed program is provided in the direct testimony of ORS Water      |
|           | and Wastewater witness, Willie Morgan.   |
|           | Adjustment 36 - ORS proposes to adjust gross receipts and utility/commission     |
|           | taxes for the Company's proposed rate increase. A total factor of .00963081,     |
|           | comprised of the SC Department of Revenue factor of .003 and the PSC/ORS         |
|           | factor of .00663081, was used to compute this adjustment. ORS proposes to        |
|           | increase gross receipts taxes by \$15,108.                                       |
|           | Adjustment 37 - ORS proposes to adjust income taxes for the Company's proposed   |
|           | rate increase. See Audit Exhibit ICG-6 for the computation of income taxes.      |
|           | Adjustment 38 - ORS proposes to adjust customer growth after the proposed        |
|           | increase. The growth factor of 0.02934% for water operations was provided by     |
|           | ORS witness Willie Morgan. There was no customer growth for sewer operations.    |
| Q.        | PLEASE DESCRIBE THE REMAINING AUDIT EXHIBITS.                                    |
| <b>A.</b> | Audit Exhibit ICG-5 details the computation of ORS's depreciation and            |
|           | amortization expense adjustments. Audit Exhibit ICG-6 details the computation    |
|           | of income taxes. Audit Exhibit ICG-7 details the calculation of the cash working |

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- capital allowance and Audit Exhibit ICG-8 details the calculation of return on equity.
- 3 Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?
- 4 A. Yes.

### Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. Docket No. 2013-201-WS Operating Experience, Rate Base and Rates of Return For the Test Year Ended December 31, 2012 Combined Operations

|   | (1)                      | (2) Accounting          |            | (3)<br>After<br>Accounting & | (4) Applicant's           |          | (5)<br>After<br>Applicant's |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|
| Description                                   | Per<br>Books<br>S        | Pro Forma Adjustments S | -          | Pro Forma Adjustments S      | Proposed<br>Increase<br>S |          | Proposed<br>Increase<br>S   |
| Operating Revenues:                           |                          | •                       |            |                              | 3                         |          | •                           |
| Service Revenues - Water                      | 2,970,223                | (2,225)                 | (A)        | 2,967,998                    | 1,381,431                 | (DD)     | 4,349,429                   |
| Service Revenues - Sewer                      | 179,041                  | 92,643                  | (A)        | 271,684                      | 157,011                   | (DD)     | 428,695                     |
| Miscellaneous Revenues                        | 98,231                   | 11,140                  | (B)        | 109,371                      | 50,794                    | (EE)     | 160,165                     |
| Uncollectible Accounts                        | (41,990)                 | (1,313)                 | (C)        | (43,303)                     | (20,549)                  | (FF)     | (63,852)                    |
| Total Operating Revenues                      | 3,205,505                | 100,245                 | -          | 3,305,750                    | 1,568,687                 |          | 4,874,437                   |
| Maintenance Expenses:                         |                          |                         |            |                              |                           |          |                             |
| Salaries and Wages                            | 430,290                  | (38,465)                | (D)        | 391,825                      | 0                         |          | 391,825                     |
| Purchased Power                               | 179,974                  | (2,086)                 | (E)        | 177,888                      | 0                         |          | 177,888                     |
| Purchased Sewer & Water ( Pass Through)       | 33,244                   | 0                       |            | 33,244                       | 0                         |          | 33,244                      |
| Purchased Water - Supplemental                | 126,396                  | 0                       | 4895       | 126,396                      | 0                         |          | 126,396                     |
| Maintenance and Repair                        | 290,422                  | 48,551                  | (F)        | 338,973                      | 0                         |          | 338,973                     |
| Maintenance Testing<br>Meter Reading          | 132,680                  | (19,944)<br>0           | (G)        | 112,736                      | 0                         |          | 112,736                     |
| Chemicals                                     | 59,729<br>96,059         | (3,928)                 | an         | 59,729<br>92,131             | 0                         |          | 59,729<br>92,131            |
| Transportation                                | 70,106                   | (6,287)                 |            | 63,819                       | 0                         |          | 63,819                      |
| Operating Expense Charged to Plant            | (134,184)                | (48,088)                |            | (182,272)                    | 0                         |          | (182,272)                   |
| Total   | 1,284,716                | (70,247)                |            | 1,214,469                    | 0                         |          | 1,214,469                   |
| General Expenses:                             |                          |                         |            |                              |                           |          |                             |
| Salaries and Wages                            | 188,998                  | 44,705                  | (K)        | 233,703                      | 0                         |          | 233,703                     |
| Office Supplies & Other Office Expense        | 94,735                   | (11,591)                | (L)        | 83,144                       | 0                         |          | 83,144                      |
| Regulatory Commission Expense                 | 15,194                   | 49,625                  | (M)        | 64,819                       | 0                         |          | 64,819                      |
| Pension & Other Benefits                      | 110,789                  | 18,823                  | (N)        | 129,612                      | 0                         |          | 129,612                     |
| Rent  | 20,910                   | (1,335)                 | <b>(O)</b> | 19,575                       | 0                         |          | 19,575                      |
| Insurance                                     | 57,597                   | 0                       |            | 57,597                       | 0                         |          | 57,597                      |
| Office Utilities                              | 154,616                  | 0                       |            | 154,616                      | 0                         |          | 154,616                     |
| Outside Services - Other                      | 39,202                   | 0                       |            | 39,202                       | 0                         |          | 39,202                      |
| Miscellaneous                                 | (395)                    | (20,760)                | (P) ,      | (21,155)                     |                           | (GG)     | (21,155)                    |
| Total   | 681,646                  | 79,467                  |            | 761,113                      | 0                         | -        | 761,113                     |
| Depreciation                                  | 362,166                  | (64,652)                | (Q)        | 297,514                      | 0                         |          | 297,514                     |
| Amortization of CIAC                          | (2,045)                  | (42)                    | (R)        | (2,087)                      | 0                         |          | (2,087)                     |
| Taxes Other Than Income                       | 550,123                  | 25,728                  | (S)        | 575,851                      | 15,108                    |          | 590,959                     |
| Income Taxes - State & Federal                | (42,626)                 | 80,772                  | (T)        | 38,146                       | 594,244                   | (II)     | 632,390                     |
| Amortization of Plant Acquisition Adjustment  | 19,473                   | (19,473)                | (U) ,      | 0 000 424                    | 0                         | _        | 0                           |
| Total   | 887,091                  | 22,333                  |            | 909,424                      | 609,352                   | -        | 1,518,776                   |
| Total Operating Expenses                      | 2,853,453                | 31,553                  |            | 2,885,006                    | 609,352                   | -        | 3,494,358                   |
| Total Operating Income                        | 352,052                  | 68,692                  |            | 420,744                      | 959,335                   |          | 1,380,079                   |
| Interest During Construction                  | (1,286)                  | 1,286                   | (V)        | 0                            | 0                         |          | 0                           |
| Customer Growth                               | 0                        |                         | (W)        | 105                          | 253                       | (JJ) _   | 358_                        |
| Net Income for Return                         | 350,766                  | 70,083                  |            | 420,849                      | 959,589                   | _        | 1,380,437                   |
|   |                          | 7 4,000                 |            | 140,017                      | 737,307                   | =        | 1,500,457                   |
| Original Cost Rate Base:                      |                          |                         |            |                              |                           |          |                             |
| Gross Plant in Service                        | 16,668,304               | (2,281,609)             | . ,        | 14,386,695                   | 0                         |          | 14,386,695                  |
| Accumulated Depreciation Net Plant in Service | (2,640,365)              | 302,605                 | (Y) ,      | (2,337,760)                  | 0                         | _        | (2,337,760)                 |
| Cash Working Capital                          | 14,027,939               | (1,979,004)             | (77)       | 12,048,935                   | 0                         |          | 12,048,935                  |
| Contributions in Aid of Construction          | 245,796                  | 1,152                   | (Z)        | 246,948                      | 0                         |          | 246,948                     |
| Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes             | (123,238)<br>(1,622,415) | 42<br>0                 | (AA)       | (123,196)<br>(1,622,415)     | 0                         |          | (123,196)<br>(1,622,415)    |
| Plant Acquisition Adjustment                  | 1,083,984                | (1,083,984)             | (RR)       | (1,022,415)                  | 0                         |          | (1,022,413)                 |
| Customer Deposits                             | (141,395)                | (1,05,50)               | (nn)       | (141,395)                    | 0                         |          | (141,395 <u>)</u>           |
| ·   |                          |                         | -          |                              |                           | -        |                             |
| Total Rate Base                               | 13,470,671               | (3,061,794)             | -          | 10,408,877                   | 0                         | =        | 10,408,877                  |
| Return on Rate Base                           | 2.61%                    |                         | 4          | 4.04%                        |                           | =        | 13.26%                      |
| Operating Margin                              | -5.47%                   | /1/3 040                |            | 1.87%                        |                           | <b>a</b> | 20.95%                      |
| Interest Expense                              | 526,204                  | (167,040)               | (CC)       | 359,164                      |                           | =        | 359,164                     |

Note: Return on Rate Base in column (1) is calculated by using Total Operating Income divided by Total Rate Base.

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|   | (1) Application Per      | (2)<br>Accounting<br>&<br>Pro Forma |             | (3)<br>After<br>Accounting &<br>Pro Forma | (4) Applicant's Proposed |        | (6)<br>After<br>Applicant's<br>Proposed |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|---|--------------------------|--------|---|
| Description   | Books S                  | Adjustments<br>S                    |             | Adjustments S                             | Increase                 | -      | IncreaseS                               |
| Operating Revenues:                                       |                          |                                     |             | •   | •                        |        | •                                       |
| Service Revenues - Water                                  | 2,970,223                | (2,225)                             |             | 2,967,998                                 | 1,381,431                | , ,    | 4,349,429                               |
| Miscellaneous Revenues Uncollectible Accounts             | 93,044<br>(39,773)       | 11,265<br>101                       | (B)         | 104,309<br>(39,672)                       | 49,070<br>(18,451)       | , ,    | 153,379                                 |
| Total Operating Revenues                                  | 3,023,494                | 9,141                               | (C)         | 3,032,635                                 | 1,412,050                | (FF)   | 4,444,685                               |
| Blaintanana Ermanan                                       |                          |                                     | •           |   |                          |        |   |
| Maintenance Expenses: Salaries and Wages                  | 407,571                  | (36,434)                            | (D)         | 371,137                                   | 0                        |        | 371,137                                 |
| Purchased Power   | 165,077                  | (2,165)                             |             | 162,912                                   | ő                        |        | 162,912                                 |
| Purchased Water - Pass Through                            | 33,244                   | 0                                   | . ,         | 33,244                                    | 0                        |        | 33,244                                  |
| Purchased Water - Supplemental                            | 126,396                  | 0                                   |             | 126,396                                   | 0                        |        | 126,396                                 |
| Maintenance and Repair                                    | 239,814                  | 65,988                              | (F)         | 305,802                                   | 0                        |        | 305,802                                 |
| Maintenance Testing Meter Reading                         | 106,016                  | (19,944)                            | (G)         | 86,072                                    | 0                        |        | 86,072                                  |
| Chemicals   | 56,575<br>90,987         | 0<br>(3,721)                        | /th         | 56,575<br>87,266                          | 0                        |        | 56,575<br>87,266                        |
| Transportation  | 66,404                   | (5,721)                             | , ,         | 60,814                                    | 0                        |        | 60,814                                  |
| Operating Expense Charged to Plant                        | (127,099)                | (45,549)                            |             | (172,648)                                 | 0                        | (GG)   | (172,648)                               |
| Total   | 1,164,985                | (47,415)                            |             | 1,117,570                                 | 0                        |        | 1,117,570                               |
| General Expenses:   |                          |                                     |             |   |                          |        |   |
| Salaries and Wages  | 179,019                  | 42,345                              | (K)         | 221,364                                   | 0                        |        | 221,364                                 |
| Office Supplies & Other Office Expense                    | 82,128                   | (3,374)                             | (L)         | 78,754                                    | 0                        |        | 78,754                                  |
| Regulatory Commission Expense                             | 14,392                   | 47,002                              | (M)         | 61,394                                    | 0                        |        | 61,394                                  |
| Pension & Other Benefits                                  | 104,939                  | 17,829                              | (N)         | 122,768                                   | 0                        |        | 122,768                                 |
| Rent  | 19,806                   | (1,335)                             | <b>(O</b> ) | 18,471                                    | 0                        |        | 18,471                                  |
| Insurance<br>Office Utilities                             | 54,556<br>146,452        | 0                                   |             | 54,556<br>146,452                         | 0                        |        | 54,556<br>146,452                       |
| Outside Services - Other                                  | 37,132                   | v                                   |             | 37,132                                    | 0                        |        | 37,132                                  |
| Miscellaneous   | (374)                    | (19,664)                            | (P) -       | (20,038)                                  | 0                        |        | (20,038)                                |
| Total   | 638,050                  | 82,803                              |             | 720,853                                   | 0                        |        | 720,853                                 |
| Depreciation  | 340,740                  | (62,563)                            | (Q)         | 278,177                                   | 0                        |        | 278,177                                 |
| Amortization of CIAC                                      | (2,045)                  | (42)                                |             | (2,087)                                   | 0                        |        | (2,087)                                 |
| Taxes Other Than Income                                   | 521,076                  | 23,421                              | (S)         | 544,497                                   | 13,599                   | (HH)   | 558,096                                 |
| Income Taxes - State & Federal                            | (40,375)                 | 56,902                              | (T)         | 16,527                                    | 534,908                  | (II)   | 551,435                                 |
| Amortization of Plant Acquisition Adjustment              | 19,473                   | (19,473)                            | (U)         | 0   | 0                        |        | 0                                       |
| Total   | 838,869                  | (1,755)                             |             | 837,114                                   | 548,507                  | -      | 1,385,621                               |
| Total Operating Expenses                                  | 2,641,904                | 33,633                              |             | 2,675,537                                 | 548,507                  |        | 3,224,044                               |
| Total Operating Income                                    | 381,590                  | (24,492)                            |             | 357,098                                   | 863,543                  |        | 1,220,641                               |
| Interest During Construction                              | (1,218)                  | 1,218                               | (V)         | 0   | 0                        |        | 0                                       |
| Customer Growth   |                          | 105                                 | (W).        | 105                                       | 253                      | (JJ) - | 358                                     |
| Net Income for Return                                     | 380,372                  | (23,169)                            |             | 357,203                                   | 863,796                  | : =    | 1,220,999                               |
| Original Cost Rate Base:                                  |                          |                                     |             |   |                          |        |   |
| Gross Plant in Service                                    | 15,617,584               | (2,215,895)                         | (X)         | 13,401,689                                | 0                        |        | 13,401,689                              |
| Accumulated Depreciation                                  | (2,557,662)              | 295,870                             | (Y).        | (2,261,792)                               | 0                        | _      | (2,261,792)                             |
| Net Plant in Service                                      | 13,059,922               | (1,920,025)                         | 4000        | 11,139,897                                | 0                        |        | 11,139,897                              |
| Cash Working Capital Contributions in Aid of Construction | 225,380                  | 4,423                               | (Z)         | 229,803                                   | 0                        |        | 229,803                                 |
| Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes                         | (123,238)<br>(1,536,751) | 0                                   | (AA)        | (123,196)<br>(1,536,751)                  | 0                        |        | (123,196)<br>(1,536,751)                |
| Plant Acquisition Adjustment                              | 1,083,984                | (1,083,984)                         | (BB)        | 0   | 0                        |        | (1,550,751)                             |
| Customer Deposits   | (133,929)                | 0                                   | ,           | (133,929)                                 | 0                        | _      | (133,929)                               |
| Total Rate Base   | 12,575,368               | (2,999,544)                         |             | 9,575,824                                 | 0                        | =      | 9,575,824                               |
| Return on Rate Base                                       | 3.02%                    |                                     | =           | 3.73%                                     |                          |        | 12.75%                                  |
| Operating Margin  | -3.90%                   |                                     |             | 0.88%                                     |                          |        | 20.04%                                  |
| Interest Expense  | 498,420                  | (168,001)                           | (CC)        | 330,419                                   |                          | -      | 330,419                                 |
| Note: Return on Rate Base in column (1) is calculate      | d by using Total O       | perating Income                     | divide      | ed by Total Rate Bas                      | se.                      | =      |   |

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| <u>Description</u>   | (1) Application Per Books   | (2) Accounting & Pro Forma Adjustments | _          | (3) After Accounting & Pro Forma Adjustments | (4) Applicant's Proposed Increase | _      | (6)<br>After<br>Applicant's<br>Proposed<br>Increase |
|--|-----------------------------|--|------------|--|-----------------------------------|--------|---|
| On-mating Planaria   | \$                          | \$                                     |            | \$   | \$                                |        | \$  |
| Operating Revenues: Service Revenues - Sewer Miscellaneous Revenues Uncollectible Accounts | 179,041<br>5,187<br>(2,217) | (1,414)                                |            | 271,684<br>5,062<br>(3,631)                  | (2,098)                           | (EE)   | 428,695<br>6,786<br>(5,729)                         |
| Total Operating Revenues   | 182,011                     | 91,104                                 | -          | 273,115                                      | 156,637                           |        | 429,752   |
| Maintenance Expenses: Salaries and Wages Purchased Power Purchased Sewer                   | 22,719<br>14,897<br>0       | (2,031)<br>79<br>0                     | (E)        | 20,688<br>14,976<br>0                        | 0<br>0<br>0                       |        | 20,688<br>14,976<br>0                               |
| Maintenance and Repair   | 50,608                      | (17,437)                               |            | 33,171                                       | 0                                 |        | 33,171  |
| Maintenance Testing Meter Reading  | 26,664<br>3,154             | 0                                      | (G)        | 26,664<br>3,154                              | 0                                 |        | 26,664<br>3,154                                     |
| Chemicals  | 5,072                       | (207)                                  | (H)        | 4,865  | 0                                 |        | 4,865   |
| Transportation   | 3,702                       | (697)                                  |            | 3,005  | 0                                 |        | 3,005   |
| Operating Expense Charged to Plant   | (7,085)                     | (2,539)                                |            | (9,624)                                      | 0                                 |        | (9,624)   |
| Total  | 119,731                     | (22,832)                               | -          | 96,899                                       | 0                                 |        | 96,899  |
| General Expenses: Salaries and Wages   | 9,979                       | 2,360                                  | (K)        | 12,339                                       | 0                                 |        | 12,339  |
| Office Supplies & Other Office Expense<br>Regulatory Commission Expense                    | 12,607<br>802               | (8,217)<br>2,623                       | (L)<br>(M) | 4,390<br>3,425                               | 0                                 |        | 4,390<br>3,425                                      |
| Pension & Other Benefits   | 5,850                       | 994                                    | (N)        | 6,844  | 0                                 |        | 6,844   |
| Rent   | 1,104                       | 0                                      | (O)        | 1,104  | 0                                 |        | 1,104   |
| Insurance  | 3,041                       | 0                                      |            | 3,041  | 0                                 |        | 3,041   |
| Office Utilities Outside Services - Other  | 8,164                       | 0                                      |            | 8,164  | 0                                 |        | 8,164   |
| Miscellaneous  | 2,070<br>(21)               | 0<br>(1,096)                           | (P)        | 2,070<br>(1,117)                             | 0                                 | (GG)   | 2,070<br>(1,117)                                    |
| Total  | 43,596                      | (3,336)                                |            | 40,260                                       | 0                                 | .(00)_ | 40,260  |
| Depreciation Amortization of CIAC  | 21,426                      | (2,089)                                | (Q)<br>(R) | 19,337                                       | 0                                 | •      | 19,337  |
| Taxes Other Than Income  | 29,047                      | 2,307                                  | (S)        | 31,354                                       | 1,509                             | (HH)   | 32,863  |
| Income Taxes - State & Federal   | (2,251)                     | 23,870                                 | (T)        | 21,619                                       | 59,336                            | (II)   | 80,955  |
| Amortization of Plant Acquisition Adjustment   | 0                           | 0                                      | (U)        | 0  | 0                                 |        | 0   |
| Total  | 48,222                      | 24,088                                 |            | 72,310                                       | 60,845                            | -      | 133,155   |
| Total Operating Expenses   | 211,549                     | (2,080)                                |            | 209,469                                      | 60,845                            |        | 270,314   |
| Total Operating Income   | (29,538)                    | 93,184                                 |            | 63,646                                       | 95,792                            |        | 159,438   |
| Interest During Construction Customer Growth   | (68)                        | 68<br>0                                | (V)<br>(W) | 0 0  | 0                                 | (JJ) _ | 0   |
| Net Income for Return  | (29,606)                    | 93,252                                 |            | 63,646                                       | 95,792                            |        | 159,438   |
| Original Cost Rate Base:   |                             |  |            |  |                                   | =      |   |
| Gross Plant in Service   | 1,050,720                   | (65,714)                               |            | 985,006                                      | 0                                 |        | 985,006   |
| Accumulated Depreciation Net Plant in Service  | 968,017                     | 6,735<br>(58,979)                      | (Y) .      | 909,038                                      | 0                                 | _      | (75,968)  |
| Cash Working Capital   | 20,416                      | (3,271)                                | (7)        | 909,038<br>17,145                            | 0                                 |        | 909,038<br>17,145                                   |
| Contributions in Aid of Construction   | 0                           |  | (AA)       | 0  | 0                                 |        | 0   |
| Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes  | (85,664)                    | 0                                      |            | (85,664)                                     | 0                                 |        | (85,664)  |
| Plant Acquisition Adjustment   | 0                           | 0                                      | (BB)       | 0  | 0                                 |        | 0   |
| Customer Deposits Total Pate Pare  | (7,466)                     | (62.250)                               | -          | (7,466)                                      | 0                                 | _      | (7,466)   |
| Total Rate Base  | 895,303                     | (62,250)                               | -          | 833,053                                      | 0                                 | =      | 833,053   |
| Return on Rate Base  | -3.31%                      |  | -          | 7.64%  |                                   | =      | 19.14%  |
| Operating Margin   | -31,53%                     |  |            | 12.78%                                       |                                   | =      | 30.41%  |
| Interest Expense   | 27,784                      |  | (CC)       | 28,745                                       |                                   | =      | 28,745  |
| Note: Return on Rate Base in column (1) is calculate                                       | u oy using Total C          | perating income                        | : atvide   | eu by Total Rate Ba                          | se.                               |        |   |

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### Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. Docket No. 2013-201-WS Explanation of Accounting and Pro Forma Adjustments For the Test Year Ended December 31, 2012

| Description   | Combined Operations | Water<br>Operations | Sewer<br>Operations |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Accounting and Pro Forma Adjustments  |                     |                     |                     |
| Operating Revenues  |                     |                     |                     |
| (A) Service Revenues  |                     |                     |                     |
| 1 To adjust service revenues to reflect test year customer billings.  |                     |                     |                     |
| Per ORS   | 90,418              | (2,225)             | 92,643              |
| Per USSC  | (37,997)            | (38,941)            | 944                 |
| (B) Miscellaneous Revenues  |                     |                     |                     |
| 2 To adjust miscellaneous revenues to reflect increase in late payment<br>and notification fees and other revenues. |                     |                     |                     |
| Per ORS   | 11.140              | 11.265              | (125)               |
| Per USSC  | 0                   | 0                   | 0                   |
| (C) Uncollectible Accounts  |                     |                     |                     |
| 3 To adjust uncollectible accounts to reflect accounting and pro forma<br>adjustments to service revenues.          |                     |                     |                     |
| Per ORS   | (1,313)             | 101                 | (1,414)             |
| Per USSC  | 509                 | 521                 | (12)                |
| Maintenance Expenses  |                     |                     |                     |
| (D) Salaries & Wages  |                     |                     |                     |
| 4 To annualize operators' salaries for the test year.   |                     |                     |                     |
| Per ORS   | (38.465)            | (36,434)            | (2,031)             |
| Per USSC  | (34,698)            | (33,989)            | (709)               |
| (E) Purchased Power   |                     |                     |                     |
| 5 ORS agrees with USSC adjustment.  |                     |                     |                     |
| Per ORS   | (2,086)             | (2,165)             | 79                  |
| Per USSC  | (2,086)             | (2,165)             | 79                  |
| (F) Maintenance and Repair  |                     |                     |                     |
| 6 To adjust for a net increase in maintenance and repair expense.   |                     |                     |                     |
| Per ORS   | 48,551              | 65.988              | (17,437)            |
| Per USSC  | 0                   | 0                   | 00                  |

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| Description   | \$<br>Combined<br>Operations | S<br>Water<br>Operations | S<br>Sewer<br>Operations |
|---|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|   |                              |                          |                          |
| (G) Maintenance Testing   |                              |                          |                          |
| 7 To remove DHEC Safe Drinking Water Fees.  |                              |                          |                          |
| Per ORS   | (19,944)                     | (19,944)                 | 0                        |
| Per USSC  | 0                            | 0                        | 0                        |
| (II) Chemicals  |                              |                          |                          |
| 8 ORS proposes to adjust for nonallowables items.   |                              |                          |                          |
| Per ORS   | (3,928)                      | (3,721)                  | (207)                    |
| Per USSC  | (1,166)                      | (1,193)                  | 27                       |
| (I) Transportation  |                              |                          |                          |
| 9 To adjust for allocated transportation expense including fuel and auto<br>repairs.  |                              |                          |                          |
| Per ORS   | (6.287)                      | (5,590)                  | (697)                    |
| Per USSC  | (3,881)                      | (4,080)                  | 199                      |
| (J) Operating Expenses Charged to Plant   |                              |                          |                          |
| 10 To adjust operating expense charged to plant (capitalized time) for<br>actual salary expenses and associated taxes and benefits. |                              |                          |                          |
| Per ORS   | (48,088)                     | (45,549)                 | (2.539)                  |
| Per USSC  | 2.796                        | 3.815                    | (1.019)                  |
| General Expenses  |                              |                          |                          |
| (K) Salaries & Wages  |                              |                          |                          |
| 11 To annualize office salaries for the test year.  |                              |                          |                          |
| Per ORS   | 44,705                       | 42,345                   | 2,360                    |
| Per USSC  | 17,432                       | 16,644                   | 788                      |
| (L) Office Supplies & Other Office Expense  |                              |                          |                          |
| 12 To remove nonallowable amounts for fines and other items.  |                              |                          |                          |
| Per ORS   | (11.591)                     | (3,374)                  | (8,217)                  |
| Per USSC  | (8.029)                      | 0                        | (8,029)                  |
| (M) Regulatory Commission Expense   |                              |                          |                          |
| 13 To amortize current and previous rate case expenses over a five-year<br>period.  |                              |                          |                          |
| Per ORS   | 49,625                       | 47,002                   | 2,623                    |
| Per USSC  | 137,155                      | 129,908                  | 7,247                    |

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| Description   | \$<br>Combined<br>Operations | S<br>Water<br>Operations | S<br>Sewer<br>Operations |
|---|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| (N) Pension & Other Benefits  | Operations                   | Operations               | Optituding               |
| 14 To annualize pension and other benefits associated with the adjusted test year salaries.   |                              |                          |                          |
| Per ORS   | 18,823                       | 17,829                   | 994                      |
| Per USSC  | 14,021                       | 13,192                   | 829                      |
| (O) Rent  |                              |                          |                          |
| 15 To remove affiliated Company's portion of the rent.  |                              |                          |                          |
| Per ORS   | (1,335)                      | (1.335)                  | 0                        |
| Per USSC  | 0                            | 0                        | 0                        |
| (P) Miscellaneous   |                              |                          |                          |
| 16 To remove nonallowable items.  |                              |                          |                          |
| Per ORS   | (20,760)                     | (19,664)                 | (1,096)                  |
| Per USSC  | 16,047                       | 15,121                   | 926                      |
| (Q) Depreciation Expense  |                              |                          |                          |
| 17 To annualize depreciation expense for known and measurable plant in service.   |                              |                          |                          |
| Per ORS   | (64,652)                     | (62,563)                 | (2,089)                  |
| Per USSC  | (26.475)                     | (26,783)                 | 308                      |
| (R) Amortization of Contributions in Aid of Construction (CIAC)   |                              |                          |                          |
| 18 To annualize the amortization of CIAC expense.   |                              |                          |                          |
| Per ORS   | (42)                         | (42)                     | 0                        |
| Per USSC  | (171)                        | (171)                    | 0                        |
| (S) Taxes Other Than Income   |                              |                          |                          |
| 19 To adjust payroll taxes associated with the adjusted test year salaries.   |                              |                          |                          |
| Per ORS   | 14,930                       | 14,142                   | 788                      |
| Per USSC  | 15,497                       | 14,591                   | 906                      |
| 20 To adjust gross receipts and utility/commission taxes after the accounting and pro forma adjustments using a factor of .00963081 (.003 for SCDOR and .00663081 for PSC/ORS). |                              |                          |                          |
| Per ORS   | 10,798                       | 9,279                    | 1,519                    |
| Per USSC  | (355)                        | (364)                    | 9                        |
| Total Per ORS   | 25.728                       | 23,421                   | 2,307                    |
| Total Per USSC  | 15,142                       | 14,227                   | 915                      |

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| Description  | \$<br>Combined | \$<br>Water<br>Operations | \$<br>Sewer<br>Operations |
|--|----------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Description  (T) Income Taxes  | Operations     | Operations                | Operations                |
| 21 To adjust state and federal income taxes after accounting and pro   |                |                           |                           |
| forma adjustments. See Audit Exhibit ICG-6.  |                |                           |                           |
| Per ORS  | 80,772         | 56,902                    | 23,870                    |
| Per USSC   | (79,663)       | (50,275)                  | (29,388)                  |
| (U) Amortization of Plant Acquisition Adjustment   |                |                           |                           |
| 22 To remove the amortization of Plant Acquisition Adjustment.   |                |                           |                           |
| Per ORS  | (19,473)       | (19,473)                  | 0                         |
| Per USSC   | . 0            | 0                         | 0                         |
| (V) Interest During Construction (IDC)   |                |                           |                           |
| 23 To eliminate IDC for rate making purposes   |                |                           |                           |
| Per ORS  | 1,286          | 1,218                     | 68                        |
| Per USSC   | 1,286          | 1,218                     | 68                        |
| (W) Customer Growth  |                |                           |                           |
| 24 To adjust for customer growth after the accounting and pro forma<br>adjustments. The growth factor of .02934% for water was computed<br>by the Water and Wastewater Department.                 |                |                           |                           |
| Per ORS  | 105            | 105                       | 0                         |
| Per USSC   | 0              | 0                         | 0                         |
| (X) Gross Plant in Service   |                |                           |                           |
| 25 To adjust plant in service for nonallowable items, recalculated capitalized time and retirements as of December 31, 2012.   |                |                           |                           |
| Per ORS  | (2,701,115)    | (2,615,076)               | (86,039)                  |
| Per USSC   | (460,692)      | (435,064)                 | (25,628)                  |
| 26 To adjust gross plant in service for net G/L additions occurring after the test year.   |                |                           |                           |
| Per ORS  | 419,506        | 399,181                   | 20,325                    |
| Per USSC   | 1,275,947      | 708,733                   | 567,214                   |
| Total Per ORS  | (2,281,609)    | (2,215,895)               | (65,714)                  |
| Total Per USSC   | 815,255        | 273,669                   | 541,586                   |
| (V) Accumulated Depreciation   |                |                           |                           |
| 27 To reduce accumulated depreciation for pro forma plant<br>additions, retirements, nonallowable items and recalculated capitalized<br>time, as well as, depreciation for vehicles and computers. |                |                           |                           |
| Per ORS  | 302,605        | 295,870                   | 6,735                     |
| Per USSC   | 224,356        | 208,808                   | 15,548                    |

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| Description  | S<br>Combined<br>Operations | S<br>Water<br>Operations | S<br>Sewer<br>Operations |
|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| (Z) Cash Working Capital   |                             |                          |                          |
| 28 To adjust cash working capital after accounting and pro forma adjustments. See Audit Exhibit ICG-7.   |                             |                          |                          |
| Per ORS  | 1,152                       | 4,423                    | (3,271)                  |
| Per USSC   | 18,116                      | 18,009                   | 107                      |
| (AA) Contributions in Aid of Construction (CIAC)   |                             |                          |                          |
| 29 To adjust CIAC to reflect the amortization of CIAC expense as a result<br>of ORS Adjustment 19.   |                             |                          |                          |
| Per ORS  | 42                          | 42                       | 0                        |
| Per USSC   | 167                         | 167                      | 0                        |
| (BB) Plant Acquisition Adjustment  |                             |                          |                          |
| 30 To remove the Plant Acquisition Adjustment from Rate Base   |                             |                          |                          |
| Per ORS  | (1,083,984)                 | (1,083,984)              | 0                        |
| Per USSC   | (1,083,984)                 | (1.083.984)              | 0                        |
| (CC) Interest Expense  |                             |                          |                          |
| 31 To adjust interest on debt using a 52.44% and 47.56% debt to equity<br>ratio and 6.58% cost of debt. ORS computed allowable interest<br>expense after accounting and pro forma adjustments. See Audit<br>Exhibit ICG-8. |                             |                          |                          |
| Per ORS  | (167.040)                   | (168,001)                | 961                      |
| Per USSC   | (60.641)                    | (83,157)                 | 22,516                   |
| Proposed lacrease  |                             |                          |                          |
| (DD) Service Revenues  |                             |                          |                          |
| 32 To adjust water and sewer service revenues for ORS's recalculation of<br>the Company's proposed rate increase.  |                             |                          |                          |
| Per ORS  | 1.538.442                   | 1,381,431                | 157,011                  |
| Per USSC   | 1.468.356                   | 1.364,339                | 104,017                  |
| (EE) Miscellaneous Revenues  |                             |                          |                          |
| 33 To adjust miscellaneous revenues for ORS's recalculation of the<br>Company's proposed rate increase.  |                             |                          |                          |
| Per ORS  | 50,794                      | 49,070                   | 1,724                    |
| Per USSC   | 0                           | 0                        | 0                        |
| (FF) Uncollectible Accounts  |                             |                          |                          |
| 34 To adjust for uncollectible accounts associated with the Company's<br>proposed rate increase.   |                             |                          |                          |
| Per ORS  | (20,549)                    | (18,451)                 | (2.098)                  |
| Per USSC   | (19.557)                    | (18,269)                 | (1,288)                  |

### Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. Docket No. 2013-201-WS anation of Accounting and Pro Forms Adjusts

| 36 To adjust gross receipts and utility/commission taxes associated with the Company's proposed increase using a factor of .00963081 (.003 for SCDOR and .00663081 for PSC/ORS ).  Per ORS  15,108  13,599  1,509  Per USSC  13,738  12,765  973  (II) Income Taxes  37 To adjust state and federal income taxes associated with the Company's proposed increase. See Audit Exhibit ICG-6.  Per ORS  594,244  534,908  59,336  Per USSC  546,103  507,380  38,723  | Description   | S<br>Combined<br>Operations | \$<br>Water<br>Operations | S<br>Sewer<br>Operations |
|--|---|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Leak Mitigation Program  |   |                             |                           |                          |
| Per USSC   7,342   6,822   520   |   |                             |                           |                          |
| (IIII) Taxes Other Than Income  36 To adjust gross receipts and utility/commission taxes associated with the Company's proposed increase using a factor of .00963081 (.003 for SCDOR and .00663081 for PSC/ORS ).  Per ORS  15,108  13,599  1,509  Per USSC  13,738  12,765  973  (II) Income Taxes  37 To adjust state and federal income taxes associated with the Company's proposed increase. See Audit Exhibit ICG-6.  Per ORS  594,244  534,908  59,336  Per USSC  546,103  507,380  38,723  (JJ) Customer Growth  38 To adjust for customer growth after proposed increase. The growth factor of .02934% for water was computed by the Water and Wastewater Department.  Per ORS  253  253  0 | Per ORS   | 0                           | 0                         | 0                        |
| 36 To adjust gross receipts and utility/commission taxes associated with the Company's proposed increase using a factor of .00963081 (.003 for SCDOR and .00663081 for PSC/ORS ).  Per ORS  15,108  13,599  1.509  Per USSC  13,738  12,765  973  (II) Income Taxes  37 To adjust state and federal income taxes associated with the Company's proposed increase. See Audit Exhibit ICG-6.  Per ORS  594.244  534,908  59,336  Per USSC  546,103  507,380  38,723  (JJ) Customer Growth  38 To adjust for customer growth after proposed increase. The growth factor of .02934% for water was computed by the Water and Wastewater Department.  Per ORS  253  253  0                                 | Per USSC  | 7,342                       | 6,822                     | 520                      |
| the Company's proposed increase using a factor of .00963081 (.003 for SCDOR and .00663081 for PSC/ORS ).  Per ORS  15,108  13,738  12,765  973  [11] Income Taxes  37 To adjust state and federal income taxes associated with the Company's proposed increase. See Audit Exhibit ICG-6.  Per ORS  594,244  534,908  593,336  Per USSC  546,103  507,380  38,723  [JJ) Customer Growth  38 To adjust for customer growth after proposed increase. The growth factor of .02934% for water was computed by the Water and Wastewater Department.  Per ORS  253  253  0  | (IIII) Taxes Other Than Income  |                             |                           |                          |
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| 37 To adjust state and federal income taxes associated with the Company's proposed increase. See Audit Exhibit ICG-6.  Per ORS  594.244  534.908  59,336  Per USSC  546,103  507,380  38,723  (JJ) Customer Growth  38 To adjust for customer growth after proposed increase. The growth factor of .02934% for water was computed by the Water and Wastewater Department.  Per ORS  253  253  0  | Per USSC  | 13,738                      | 12,765                    | 973                      |
| Company's proposed increase. See Audit Exhibit ICG-6.  Per ORS \$94.244 \$334,908 \$59,336  Per USSC \$546,103 \$507,380 \$38,723  (JJ) Customer Growth  38 To adjust for customer growth after proposed increase. The growth factor of .02934% for water was computed by the Water and Wastewater Department.  Per ORS \$253 \$253 \$0  | (II) Income Taxes   |                             |                           |                          |
| Per USSC 546, 103 507,380 38,723  (JJ) Customer Growth  38 To adjust for customer growth after proposed increase. The growth factor of .02934% for water was computed by the Water and Wastewater Department.  Per ORS 253 253 0   |   |                             |                           |                          |
| (JJ) Customer Growth  38 To adjust for customer growth after proposed increase. The growth factor of .02934% for water was computed by the Water and Wastewater Department.  Per ORS  253 253 0  | Per ORS   | 594,244                     | 534,908                   | 59,336                   |
| 38 To adjust for customer growth after proposed increase. The growth factor of .02934% for water was computed by the Water and Wastewater Department.  Per ORS  253 253 0  | Per USSC  | 546,103                     | 507,380                   | 38,723                   |
| factor of .02934% for water was computed by the Water and Wastewater Department.  Per ORS 253 253 0  | (JJ) Customer Growth  |                             |                           |                          |
|  | factor of .02934% for water was computed by the Water and             |                             |                           |                          |
| Per USSC 0 0 0   | Per ORS   | 253                         | 253                       | 0                        |
|  | Per USSC  | 0                           | 0                         | 0                        |

### Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. Depreciation and Amortization Expense Adjustments Docket No. 2013-201-WS

| For the Test | Year Ended | December | 31, 2012 |
|--------------|------------|----------|----------|
|              |            |          |          |

|   | Combined<br>Operations | Water<br>Operations | Sewer<br>Operations |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Demonstration Additional                            | \$                     | \$                  | \$                  |
| Depreciation Adjustment Gross Plant @ 12/31/12 Add: | 16,668,304             | 15,617,584          | 1,050,720           |
| Net Plant Additions Adjustment @ 09/01/13<br>Less:  | (2,281,609)            | (2,215,895)         | (65,714)            |
| Organization @ 09/01/13                             | (233,231)              | (207,814)           | (25,417)            |
| Land @ 09/01/13                                     | (242,309)              | (241,499)           | (810)               |
| Vehicles @ 09/01/13                                 | (247,173)              | (232,397)           | (14,776)            |
| Computers @ 09/01/13                                | (589,586)              | (558,435)           | (31,151)            |
| Net Plant   | 13,074,396             | 12,161,544          | 912,852             |
| Plant Depreciation @ 1.5% (66.67 years)             | 196,116                | 182,423             | 13,693              |
| <u>Vehicles</u> @ 09/01/13                          | 247,173                | 232,397             | 14,776              |
| Less: Fully Depreciated Vehicles                    | (81,011)               | (76,731)            | (4,280)             |
| Net Vehicles  | 166,162                | 155,666             | 10,496              |
| Vehicle Depreciation @ 16.67% (6 years)             | 27,700                 | 25,950              | 1,750               |
| Computers @ 09/01/13                                | 589,586                | 558,435             | 31,151              |
| Less: Fully Depreciated Computers Net Computers     | 589,586                | 0                   | 21.151              |
| Net Computers                                       | 285,280                | 558,435             | 31,151              |
| Computer Depreciation @ 12.5% (8 years)             | 73,698                 | 69,804              | 3,894               |
| Total Depreciation                                  | 297,514                | 278,177             | 19,337              |
| Less: Per Books Depreciation                        | 362,166                | 340,740             | 21,426              |
| ORS Adjustment                                      | (64,652)               | (62,563)            | (2,089)             |
| Company's Adjustment                                | (26,475)               | (26,783)            | 308                 |
| Amortization of CIAC Adjustment                     |                        |                     |                     |
| Gross CIAC @ 12/31/12                               | (136,567)              | (136,567)           | 0                   |
| Add: 2013 CIAC                                      | (4,950)                | (4,950)             | 0                   |
| Add: Purdy Shores CIAC                              | 2,500                  | 2,500               | 0                   |
| Less: Purdy Shores Accumulated CIAC                 | (126)                  | (126)               | 0                   |
| ORS Adjusted CIAC                                   | (139,143)              | (139,143)           | 0                   |
| CIAC Amortization @ 1.5% (66.67 years)              | (2,087)                | (2,087)             | 0                   |
| Less: Per Books Amortization of CIAC                | (2,045)                | (2,045)             | 0                   |
| ORS Adjustment                                      | (42)                   | (42)                | 0                   |
| Company's Adjustment                                | (171)                  | (171)               | 0                   |

### Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. Docket No. 2013-201-WS Computation of Income Taxes For the Test Year Ended December 31, 2012

| Aller Acc  | Combined                      | \$<br>Water               | \$<br>Sewer               |
|--|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
|  | <u>Operations</u>             | <u>Operations</u>         | Operations                |
| Operating Revenues Operating Expenses                                  | 3,305,750<br>2,846,860        | 3,032,635<br>2,659,010    | 273,115<br>187,850        |
| Net Operating Income Before Taxes<br>Less: Annualized Interest Expense | 458,890<br>359,164            | 373,625<br>330,419        | 85,265<br>28,745          |
| Taxable Income - State<br>State Income Tax %                           | 99,726<br>5.0%                | 43,206<br>5.0%            | 56,520<br>5.0%            |
| State Income Taxes   | 4,986                         | 2,160                     | 2,826                     |
| Less: State Income Taxes Per Book                                      | 32,053                        | 30,361                    | 1,692                     |
| Adjustment to State Income Taxes                                       | (27,067)                      | (28,201)                  | 1,134                     |
| Taxable Income - Federal<br>Federal Income Taxes %                     | 94,740<br>35.0%               | 41,046<br>35.0%           | 53,694<br>35.0%           |
| Federal Income Taxes Less: Federal Income Taxes Per Book               | 33,159<br>(74,680)            | 14,366<br>(70,737)        | 18,793<br>(3,943)         |
| Adjustment to Federal Income Taxes                                     | 107,839                       | 85,103                    | 22,736                    |
| Total Adjustment to Income Taxes                                       | 80,772                        | 56,902                    | 23,870                    |
| After  | Applicant's Proposed Increase |                           |                           |
|  | \$ Combined Operations        | \$<br>Water<br>Operations | \$<br>Sewer<br>Operations |
| Operating Revenues Operating Expenses                                  | 4,874,437<br>2,861,968        | 4,444,685<br>2,672,609    | 429,752<br>189,359        |
| Net Operating Income Before Taxes<br>Less: Annualized Interest Expense | 2,012,469<br>359,164          | 1,772,076<br>330,419      | 240,393<br>28,745         |
| Taxable Income - State<br>State Income Tax %                           | 1,653,305<br>5.0%             | 1,441,657<br>5.0%         | 211,648<br>5.0%           |
| State Income Taxes Less: State Income Taxes As Adjusted                | 82,665<br>4,986               | 72,083<br>                | 10,582<br>2,826_          |
| Adjustment to State Income Taxes                                       | 77,679                        | 69,923                    | 7,756                     |
| Taxable Income - Federal<br>Federal Income Taxes %                     | 1,570,640<br>35.0%            | 1,369,574<br>35.0%        | 201,066<br>35.0%          |
| Federal Income Taxes<br>Less: Federal Income Taxes As Adjusted         | 549,724<br>33,159             | 479,351<br>[4,366]        | 70,373<br>18,793          |
| Adjustment to Federal Income Taxes                                     | 516,565                       | 464,985                   | 51,580                    |
|  |                               |                           |                           |

594,244

534,908

59,336\_

**Total Adjustment to Income Taxes** 

## Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. Docket No. 2013-201-WS Cash Working Capital Allowance For the Test Year Ended December 31, 2012

|   | \$<br>Combined    | \$<br>Water       | \$<br>Sewer       |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| After Accounting & Pro Forma Adjustments                                | <u>Operations</u> | <u>Operations</u> | <u>Operations</u> |
| Maintenance Expenses  | 1,214,469         | 1,117,570         | 96,899            |
| General Expenses  | 761,113           | 720,853           | 40,260            |
| Total Expenses for Computation  | 1,975,582         | 1,838,423         | 137,159           |
| Allowable Rate  | 12.50%            | 12.50%            | 12.50%            |
| Computed Cash Working Capital   | 246,948           | 229,803           | 17,145            |
| Cash Working Capital - Application Per Books                            | 245,796           | 225,380           | 20,416            |
| Cash Working Capital Adjustment - ORS Accounting & Pro Forma Adjustment | 1,152             | 4,423             | (3,271)           |
| Cash Working Capital Adjustment - USSC                                  | 18,116            | 18,009            | 107               |

Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc.
Docket No. 2013-201-WS
Return on Equity
Capital Structure at December 31, 2012

# Combined Operations

|                   |                      | •                                 |              | Application Per Book                      | Per Books              |               | After At     | counting and l                             | After Accounting and Pro forma Adjustment | tments        | Afte       | er Applicant's 1        | After Applicant's Proposed Increase | s.        |
|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|---|------------------------|---------------|--------------|--|---|---------------|------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|
|                   | (Note)               |                                   |              |   |                        | Income        |              |  |   | Income        |            |                         |                                     | Income    |
| Description       | Capital<br>Structure | Ratio                             | Rate<br>Base | Embedded Overall<br>Cost/Return Cost/Retu | Overall<br>Cost/Return | For<br>Return | Rate<br>Base | Embedded Overall<br>Cost/Return Cost/Retur | Overall<br>Cost/Return                    | For<br>Return | Rate       | Emhedded<br>Cost/Return | Overall<br>Cost/Return              | For       |
|                   |                      |                                   |              |   |                        |               |              |  |   |               |            |                         |                                     |           |
| Long-Term Debt \$ |                      | 52,44% \$                         | 7,064,020    | 6.58%                                     | 3,450                  | 464,813 \$    | 5,458,415    | 6.58%                                      | 3.45% \$                                  | 359,164 \$    | 5,458,415  | 6.58                    | 3.45%                               | 159 164   |
| Members' Equity   | 163,255,970          | 47.56%                            | 6,406,651    | -1.78%                                    | -0.86%                 | (114,047)     | 4,950,462    |  | 0.59                                      | 61,685        | 4,950,462  | 20.63%                  | 9,818,6                             | 1.021,273 |
|                   |                      |                                   |              |   |                        |               |              |  |   |               |            |                         |                                     |           |
| Totals            | \$ 343,255,970       | 343,255,970 100.00% \$ 13,470,671 | 13,470,671   |   | 2.59% \$               | 350,766 \$    | 10,408,877   |  | 4.04%                                     | 420,849 \$    | 10.408.877 |                         | 13.26%                              | 1,380,437 |
|                   |                      |                                   |              | 4   |                        |               |              |  |   |               |            | .,                      |                                     |           |

## Water Operations

|                                     |     |   | ,                  |                        | Application Per Bool                        | Per Books |                         | After Ac     | counting and P            | After Accounting and Pro forma Adjustment | ments                   |   | After                  | Applicant's P           | After Applicant's Proposed Increase |                         |
|-------------------------------------|-----|---|--------------------|------------------------|---|-----------|-------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|---|-------------------------|---|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Description                         |     | Capital<br>Structure  | Ratio              | Rate<br>Base           | Embedded Overall<br>Cost/Return Cost/Return |           | Income<br>For<br>Return | Rate<br>Base | Embedded<br>Cost/Return ( | Overall<br>Cost/Return                    | Income<br>For<br>Return |   | Rate<br>Base           | Embedded<br>Cost/Return | Overall<br>Cost/Return              | Income<br>For<br>Return |
| Long-Term Debt S<br>Members' Equity | - 1 | 180,000,000 52,44% \$ 6,594,523<br>163,255,970 47,56% 5,980,845 | 52.44% S<br>47.56% | 6,594,523<br>5,980,845 | 6.58%                                       | 3,45% \$  | 433,920 \$ (53,548)     | 5,021,562    | 6.58%                     | 3.45% \$ 0.28%                            | 330,419 \$              | " | 5,021,562<br>4,554,262 | 6.58%                   | <u>د</u>                            | 330,419<br>890,580      |
| Totals                              | ~   | 343,255,970 100.00% \$ 12,575,368                               | 100.00% \$         | 12,575,368             | N   | 3.02% \$  | 380,372 \$              | 9,575,824    |                           | 3.73% \$                                  | 357,203                 |   | \$ 9,575,824           | ı                       | 12.75% S                            | 1,220,999               |

## Sewer Operations

|                                     |                      | ı                         |                    | Application Per Bool                     | Per Books              |                          | After Ac           | counting and l            | After Accounting and Pro forma Adjustment | ments                   |                    | After Applicant's P.    | Proposed Increas       | •                       |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Description                         | Capital<br>Structure | Ratio                     | Kate<br>Base       | Embedded Overal<br>Cost/Return Cost/Retu | Overall<br>Cost/Return | Income<br>For<br>Return  | Rate<br>Basc       | Embedded<br>Cost/Return C | Overall<br>Cost/Return                    | Income<br>For<br>Return | Rate               | Embedded<br>Cost/Return | Overall<br>Cost/Return | Income<br>For<br>Return |
| Long-Term Debt S<br>Members' Equity | 180,000,000          | 52.44% <b>S</b><br>47.56% | 469,497<br>425,806 | 6.58%                                    | 3.45% \$               | 30,893 <b>S</b> (60,499) | 436,853<br>396,200 | %18.8<br>%8.81%           | 3.45% \$                                  |                         | 436,853<br>396,200 |                         |                        | 28,745<br>130,693       |
| Totals                              | 343,255,970 100.00%  | 100 000. S                | 895,303            |  | -3.31% S               | (29.606) S               | 833,053            |                           | 7.63% \$                                  | 63,646 \$               | 833,053            | 153                     | 19.13% \$              | 159,438                 |

#### **BEFORE**

#### THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### **OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

#### **DOCKET NO. 2013-201-WS**

| IN RE: | Application of Utilities Services of South Carolina, Incorporated for Adjustment of | ) | CERTIFICATE OF<br>SERVICE |
|--------|---|---|---------------------------|
|        | Rates and Charges   | ) |                           |

This is to certify that I, Faith E. Shehane, have this date served one (1) copy of the DIRECT TESTIMONY & EXHIBITS OF WILLIE J. MORGAN, DOUGLAS H. CARLISLE, AND IVANA C. GEARHEART in the above-referenced matter to the person(s) named below by causing said copy to be electronically mailed as shown below:

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